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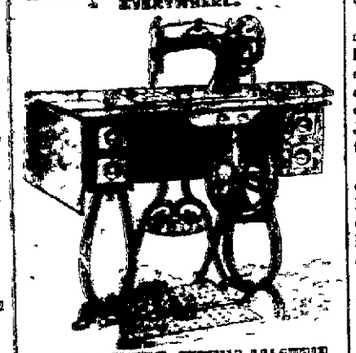

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What do you think I'd do
If you were a baby smiling,
And I a mamma like you?
I never would leave my baby,
Waiting to be caressed,
But reach out my arms and take her,
And gather her on my breast!
That's what I'd do
If I were you!

Beautiful little mamma,
Sometimes I hear you sigh,
Sitting alone at the window,
Looking up at the sky.
If I had a baby cooing,
Trying to win a smile,
I'd kiss her, and so be happy,
And forget, forget for awhile!
That's what I'd do
If I were you!

Beautiful little mamma,
How would you like to be
A wide-awake patient baby,
Nobody looking to see?
If I were a beautiful mamma,
And knew what by baby knew
I'd be at the crib to welcome
After her nap was through!
That's what I'd do
If I were you!

JOSEPH'S BROTHER.

They didn't call him Tom, or Jack, or Harry, but always spoke of him as "Joseph's Brother." And it was just as singular that they didn't say "Joe," instead of "Joseph," when speaking of or to the man.

The two had a wagon in the band, dragging itself toward the Black Hills, day by day and mile by mile. They messed by themselves, scarcely spoke except to each other, and their lives and their actions were a sort of mystery to the rest, who were a jolly set, drinking, carousing, fighting, playing cards, and wishing for a brush with the Indians. Some said that Joseph was a fugitive from justice, and that he wouldn't fraternize with them for fear of betraying himself when interrogated. Others thought he felt too proud to mix with such society, and between the two theories he had nearly all the men thinking ill of him before the wagon train was four days' travel from Cheyenne.

"He keeps his brother hidden away in the wagon as if a little sunshine would kill the boy," growled one of a dozen gold hunters sitting around their camp fire in the twilight.

"Perhaps he thinks our language isn't high toned enough—blast his eyes!" exclaimed another.

"Ain't we all bound to the same place—all sharing the same dangers—one as good as another?" demanded a broad shouldered fellow from San Antonio.

"Yes! yes!" they shouted.

"Then don't it look low-down mean for that 'ere man Joseph to edge away from us as if we were pizen? If he's so mighty refined and high toned, why didn't he come out here in a balloon?"

There was a laugh from the circle, and the Texan went on:

"I don't purtend to be an angel, but I know manners as well as the next. I believe that man Joseph is reg'lar starch, ready to wilt right down as soon as I put my finger at him, and I'm goin' over to his wagon to pull his nose!"

"That's the game, Jack! Go in, old fellow! 'Rah for the man from Texas!" yelled the gold hunters, as they sprung to their feet.

"Come right along and see the fun," continued the Texan, as he led the way toward Joseph's wagon.

The vehicle formed one in the circle, and at a small fire a few feet from the hind wheels sat Joseph and his brother, eating their frugal supper. As the crowd came near, the boy sprung up and climbed into the covered wagon, while Joseph slowly rose up and looked at them anxiously and inquiringly.

"See here, Mister Joseph what's-your-other-name!" began the Texan, as he halted before the lone man, "we hev come to the conclusion that you and that booby brother o' yourn don't like our style! Are we korect?"

"I have nothing against any of you," quietly replied Joseph. "The journey thus far has been very pleasant and agreeable to us."

"But you hang off—you don't speak to us!" persisted Jack.

"I am sorry if I have incurred any man's ill will. I feel friendly toward you all."

"Oh, you do, eh?" sneered the Texan, feeling that he was losing ground. "Well, it's my opinion that you are a sneak!"

Joseph's face turned white, and the men saw a dangerous gleam in his eyes. He seemed about to speak or make some movement when a soft voice from the wagon called out:

"Joseph! Joseph!"

A softer light came into the man's face. The Texan noticed it, and, clapping Joseph's face, he blurted out:

"If ye ain't a coward ye'll resent that, sure?"

A boyish figure sprang from the wagon and stood beside the lone man. A small hand was laid on his shoulder, and a voice whispered in his ear:

"Bear the insult for my sake!"

There was a full minute in which no one moved. Joseph's face looked ghostly white in the gloom, and they could see him tremble.

"He's a coward, just as I thought!" said the Texan, as he turned away. The others followed him, some feeling ashamed and others surprised or gratified, and by-and-bye the word had reached every wagon that Joseph and Joseph's brother were cowards.

Next morning, when the wagon train was ready to move, the captain passed near Joseph's wagon on purpose to say:

"If there are any cowards in this train, they needn't travel with us any further."

It was a cruel thrust. Joseph was harnessing his horses, and the brother was stowing away the cooking utensils. The strange man's face grew white again, and his hand went down for his revolver, but just then a voice called out:

"Don't mind it, Joseph; we'll go on alone."

The train moved off without them, some of the gold hunters taunting and joking, and others fearful that the two would be butchered by the Indians before the day was over. When the white topped wagons were so far away that they seemed no larger than his hand, Joseph moved along on the trail, his face stern and dark, and so busy with his thoughts that he did not hear the consoling words:

"Never mind, Joseph; we are trying to do right."

That night, when the wagon train of the gold hunters went into camp, they could not see the lone wagon, though many of the men, ashamed of their conduct, looked long and earnestly for it. They had seen Indians afar off, and they knew that the red devils would pounce down upon the single team as soon as they sighted it.

Darkness came, midnight came, and the sentinels heard nothing but the stamping of the horses and the howls of the coyotes. At two o'clock the reports of rifles and the fierce yells of Indians floated up through the little valley, and the camp was aroused in a moment.

"The devils have jumped in on Joseph and his brother!" whispered one of the men as he stood on a knoll and bent his head to listen.

"Good 'nuff! Cowards have no business out here!" growled the Texan.

The first speaker wheeled, struck the ruffian a sledge-hammer blow in the face, and then, running for the horses, cried out:

"Come on! come on! A dozen of us can be spared for the rescue!"

Sixteen men swept down the valley like the wind. The firing and the yelling continued, proving that the man who had been called a coward was making a heroic fight. In ten minutes they came upon the lone camp, made light as day by the burning wagon. Fifty feet from the bonfire, and hemmed in by a circle of dancing, leaping, howling savages, was Joseph's brother, standing over Joseph's dead body. The gold hunters heard the pop! pop! pop! of the boy's revolver as they burst into view, and next moment they were charging down upon the demons, using rifle and revolver with terrible effect. In two minutes not a live Indian was in sight. Joseph's brother stood over the body, an empty revolver in his hand. The men cheered wildly as they looked around, but the boy looked up into their faces without sign of exultation, surprise, or gladness.

There were three dead Indians beside the wagon, killed where the fight commenced, and the corpses in front of Joseph's brother numbered more than the victims of the sixteen men.

"Is Joseph badly hurt?" asked one of the men, as he halted his horse beside the boy.

"He is dead!" whispered the white faced defender.

"He is! God forgive me for the part I took last night!"

"You called him a coward!" cried Joseph's brother, "and you are to blame for this! Was he a coward? Look there and there! and there! We drove them back from the wagon—drove them clear out here! Joseph is dead. You are his murderers!"

Every man was near enough to hear his voice and to note his action as he picked up the rifle of an Indian and sent a bullet through his own head. With exclamations of grief and alarm trembling on their lips, the men sprung from their saddles. The boy was dead—dead as Joseph—and both corpses were bleeding from a dozen wounds.

"We'll carry 'em up to the train, and have a burial in the morning," said one of the men, and the bodies were taken up behind two of the horsemen. They did have a burial, and men looked into the grave with tears in their eyes, for they had discovered that Joseph's brother was a woman. Yes, a woman, with whitest throat and softest hands. It might have been Joseph's wife, or sister or sweetheart. No one could tell that; but they could tell how they had wronged him, and they said, as they stood around the grave:

"We hope the Lord won't lay it up agin us!"

On the Farm.

A writer in *Scribner* has an article on the subject: "How to keep the boys on the farm." He evidently means well, but the Danbury *News* says he doesn't touch the point. To keep the boys on the farm, the farm should be well paved, and lighted with gas, and have a band stand, and billiard tables, and its own bar and race course. We hope our farmers are just as anxious as they appear to keep their boys on the farm, but they don't seem to take any definite action.

It is said the spring style of the common hand organ has only one stop. It begins in the morning and stops at night.

UNITED STATES FINANCES.

Some Interesting Figures About Monetary Affairs.

According to the statement of United States Comptroller Knox, the amount of legal tenders on deposit for the retirement of bank circulation is only $16,144,644, the amount having decreased by $2,259,242 since January 1. During the quarter the new issue of currency has been $4,248,800, but this was exceeded by the amount retired, $5,017,978, and besides, $468,175 of circulation was surrendered, so that the net decrease in bank circulation during the quarter was $1,125,553. Meanwhile $2,300,000 in greenbacks has been retired. The changes in currency of all kinds since the passage of the Resumption Act to 1876 have been as follows:

	Jan. 14, 1875.	April 1, 1877.
Legal tenders	$382,000,000	$356,000,000
Bank circulation	351,981,234	352,855,689
Fractional	44,000,000	36,000,000
Total	$777,981,234	$744,855,689

	Decrease.
Decrease in legal tenders	$26,000,000
Bank circulation	29,125,545
Fractional	8,000,000
Total	$33,125,545

Deducting $12,069,340 in legal tenders on deposit for retirement of circulation, in January, 1875, the currency then in active use was $765,192,706. Deducting the $16,144,644 on deposit now, the currency in use is only $686,192,740, and the decrease in paper money in actual use has been $79,999,966. But in place of this we have all the silver which has been issued, and have accumulated a very much larger sum in specie, which, much more largely than in 1875, is used as reserve by banks and other financial institutions.

It is very interesting to compare with these retirements of currency the amounts of new circulation issued during the quarter to the banks of different States. Of the $4,248,800 issued, more than half was to banks in New York—$1,237,000—and Massachusetts, $1,200,000. About $200,000 more was issued to other New England States, and $534,000 to other Middle States. The amount issued to all the Southern States was only about $300,000, of which Kentucky took $198,000. The amount issued to all the Western States was only about $600,000, of which Indiana took $307,000. These comparisons clearly indicate that even now, when the issue of new circulation for the first time since 1873 begins to exceed the amount retired, the Western and Southern States do not take enough to replace the amounts retired by liquidation or surrendered, while the New England and Middle States only increase their circulation. During the quarter the West has lost about $350,000, and the South has not quite retained its circulation, while the New England States have gained about $1,064,000, and the Middle States about $1,200,000.—*New York Tribune.*

Mice as Thieves.

At the Old Colony depot, Boston, the ticket agent has been in the habit of leaving from $15 to $30 in the money-drawer over night. Last Wednesday morning the paper money in the drawer was missing, and the night clerk insisted that he had left some bills there on the previous evening. The officials left $87 in the drawer the next night and found only $8 the following morning. The mice were suspected, and the agent hit upon an ingenious device for detecting their place of deposit. He procured about 300 yards of very fine and strong black silk thread, one end of which was neatly woven lengthwise through a $5 bill, the remainder being wound upon a spool, which played easily upon a spindle in such a manner as to unwind with the slightest touch. The bill, which was counterfeit, was placed in one of the compartments of the drawer with another equally worthless. On Sunday morning the two bills and most of the paper were gone and about fifty feet of silk unwound. A carpenter was empowered to find the other end of that thread, if he had to tear down the station to do it. After some hammering and sawing the silk was traced to a little snuggery between a couple of pieces of furring. The nest fairly bristled with bank notes, and contained the honey combed remains of many others. The fragments of multilated currency were worth $55.

Save the Old Paper.

Never throw away old paper. If you have no wish to sell it, use it in the house. Some housekeepers prefer it to cloth for cleaning many articles of furniture. For instance, a volume written by a lady who prided herself on her experience and taste, says: "After a stove has been blackened, it can be kept looking very well for a long time by rubbing it with paper every morning. Rubbing with paper is a much nicer way of keeping the outside of a tea kettle, coffee pot, and tea pot bright and clean than the old way of washing them in suds. Rubbing with paper is also the best way of polishing knives, tinware and spoons; they shine like new silver. For polishing mirrors, windows, lamp chimneys, etc, paper is better than dry cloth. Preserves and pickles keep much better if brown paper instead of cloth is tied over the jar. Canned fruit is not so apt to mold if a piece of writing paper, cut to fit the can, is laid directly on the fruit. Paper is much better to put under a carpet than straw. It is warmer, thinner, and makes less noise when one walks over it."

An Interesting Astronomical Question.

When one of Jupiter's moons passes behind the body of the planet, says the London *Spectator*, the moon does not necessarily enter the planet's shadow. It only does so when the sun, the earth and Jupiter are nearly in a straight line; when the earth is considerably removed from the line joining Jupiter and the sun, a satellite passing behind the planet's outline on one side remains in sunlight for a considerable time. It probably has not occurred to any observer to try to see a satellite when thus in sunlight behind the planet.

On the old theory, of course, it would have been viewed, to look for a satellite under such conditions, when there might be several thousand miles of the planet's solid substance [illegible] of course, if the planet [illegible] thousands of miles deep, laden mists or land heavily with cloud matter, it might quite readily happen that a satellite should be seen apparently through the planet—not, of course, through the middle of the planet, but through parts lying thousands of miles within the apparent outline.

This is what has now actually happened. We should not quote the observation, if it were not, in the first place, one which will probably be repeated (now that it has once been made), and if it had not, in the second place, been accepted by astronomers. It is thus recorded by the council of the Astronomical Society: "A very interesting phenomenon was observed more than once independently by Mr. Todd, of Adelaide, using a new eight-inch telescope by Cooke, and his assistant, Mr. Ringwood, when a satellite was on the point of being hidden. Instead of disappearing gradually behind the planet, it was apparently projected on the disc, as if viewed through the edge of the planet, supposing the latter were surrounded by a transparent atmosphere laden with clouds. This curious phenomenon was noticed on two occasions at the disappearance of the first satellite, when it was thus distinctly visible through the edge of the disc for about two minutes before it was finally concealed."

It must therefore have been seen where the line of sight passes fully two thousand miles below the apparent outline of the planet, or along a range of fully twelve thousand miles of cloud laden air. It may safely be inferred from this observation that the planet has an atmosphere extending six or seven, probably ten or twelve thousand miles below the apparent outline, so that a globe as large as our earth lying on the surface of Jupiter might not reach, or only barely reach, his outermost cloud layers.

Whipping an Editor.

The Rush City (Minn.) *Post* tells how it served a man who came in to whip the editor: We don't wish to say much about it; but even a skirmish with an editor must be written up. After reading our article last week, Dr. Bently came and interviewed us. He brought a few friends along to see him eat us up with his hands tied behind him. He did not like the reading of our last article, and we don't blame him; for there were a few sayings in it which were a little severe. But he locked arms with us, and we waltzed around the room to the tune of high words and to the infinite delight of the spectators. His hands were not tied very tight, either. There were numerous chairs and other furniture in the room, which were speedily demolished and put out of the way. The doctor got frantic and kicked over a two gallon jug of ink, which, of course, we didn't like, because it was new ink, and besides it spoiled the looks of the floor. We took the doctor for a sponge and mopped the ink up as quickly as possible. That's what made the doctor mad. He then shoved us over a chair, and we rolled around for a while, and then we began to feel like fight, and we don't doubt but what we would have had a quarrel very soon, but the doctor suddenly concluded he didn't care whether we took back what we said or not, and as there was not any prospect of our taking it back right off he concluded to quit just as we had got ready to begin. After the whole affair was over we felt sorry that it had begun, but, as it was none of our instigating, we could not help it.

A Curious Calculation.

It is asserted by scientific writers, says an Irish newspaper, that the number of persons who have existed on our globe since the beginning of time amounts to 66,627,843,237,075,256 These figures when divided by 3,095,000 —the number of square leagues on the globe—leaves 11,330,660,732 square miles of land, which, being divided as before, gives 1,414,695,075 persons to each square mile. If we reduce these miles to square roods, the number will be 1,858,174,600,000, which, divided in like manner, will give 1,373 inhabitants to each square rood, and these being reduced to feet will give about five persons to each square foot of *terra firma*. It will thus be perceived that our earth is a vast cemetery. On each square rood of it 1,368 human beings lie buried, each rood being scarcely sufficient for ten graves, with each grave containing 128 persons. The whole surface of our globe, therefore, has been dug over 128 times to bury its dead.

The great Chinese wall, built twenty centuries ago to resist the Mongol incursionists, still serves as a fortification thirty-three hundred miles long.

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H. F. Barbour - - Editor.

THURSDAY, APRIL 12, 1877.

The late State election in Rhode Island resulted in the election of the entire Republican State ticket, for the first time in three years.

In the days of its almost omnipotent power the Republican party never attempted to exercise the authority this new Democratic clerk claims to have under the resolution of the last House.

The Philadelphia *Times* is tortured with the fear that the carpet-baggers will make a sudden begurn to the Democratic ranks. We are not sure but there is something in it. The worst of that element would find the Democracy very congenial.

The Supreme Court of this State, in a Schuylkill county road case, has decided that the township is liable for damages where any accident results from the neglect of the Supervisor to keep the roads in order or to open them to their legal width. The point was argued that where natural obstructions prevented, a country road was not required to be opened its full width. But it appears that if a jury believe a road to be unsafe for travel, let the cause be what it may, it is evidence of negligence and the township is responsible.

Postmaster General Key must stand from under. The Charleston *News and Courier* serves notice upon him that unless the Democratic view of the great national question is taken by the President, he must leave the Cabinet, that "it is no place for a true Southerner," and a lot more balderdash in the same strain. The South has always claimed to have peculiar and special privileges, and the present fanfaronade of the editors would indicate that the claim was to be extended into an era when neither cotton nor slavery is king, but when both have been dethroned eternally. Mr. Key has shown himself thus far to be a very sensible gentleman, and it will require something more than the ravings of a lunatic editor to drive him from his moorings.

Harpers Weekly of last week contained a lengthy and very romantic story of Tweed's escape and voluntary exile. If the tale be true the illustrious criminal was safely hidden away opposite the city from December until march, when he sailed for Florida, from thence to Cuba, and from thence to Spain and into the arms of Uncle Sam. He passed through many strange adventures, experienced many queer sensations and feelings, and lost 120 pounds of superabundant flesh. He has written a very penitent and pathetic letter, descanting upon the weight of his years and the heavy burden he has carried so many months. His money is nearly gone, and consequently his able counsel have deserted him, and the old man is sad. He seems disposed to turn States evidence and "give away" his old friends, but it is believed that his testimony will be of little value, and few will regret that he is not probably destined to walk the streets a free man very soon.

One of those reliable correspondents of the Philadelphia *Times* got up a sensational story to the effect that Congressman Garfield had written to Congressman Errett, of this State, soliciting his vote for Speaker of the House, saying, with other silly stuff that Garfield was very little likely to say, that he was the choice of the President &c.; that Errett replied by telling Garfield that he should vote for Sam Randall in preference to any other man, as fully representing the President's policy. This story created quite a sensation for a few days, and the democracy were very jubilant over the prospect of a division in the party. As soon as this "enterprising" correspondent's canard came to the notice of Mr. Errett he promptly sat down upon it in the following style:

> No such statement was made by me in the only letter that ever passed between Mr. Garfield and myself, and nothing in that letter, either directly or by implication, can possibly be tortured into such a meaning. I have never, for one moment, entertained the purpose of voting for Randall; and while I know of no Democratic member of the House for whom I could vote under any probable circumstances, there is not one of them for whom I would not rather vote than for him."

Thus vanishes another democratic bubble, in other words, "another has sailed"

The shipments of American fresh beef to England, from July last to the end of February, amount to 23,100,000 pounds. The invoice price is 8 9-10 cents per pound The February shipments amount to 5,000,000 pounds. The beef is shipped in quarters, each quarter being encased in a course covering of cotton cloth.

The city press and legal gentlemen are very severe in their comments upon the new stay law. The Pittsburgh *Telegraph* sums up its defects as follows:

> In almost any aspect the law is without points to recommend it. It increases the cost of money to the borrower; it augments the risks of the lender; it puts a premium upon fraud; it imposes obstacles in the collection of debts, and finally, it is calculated to add a hundred per cent. and more to the costs in all proceedings.

Mr. Holman yelling on the floor of the House from one end of the session to another for economy, is an expressive figure; Mr. Holman, in the bowels of the Capitol, slyly franking thirteen hundred worthless and bulky volumes to his constituents, is a less majestic creature. Why will Treasury watch-dogs be tempted with such small bones?—N. Y. *Tribune*.

SURFACE TOPICS.

The Democratic editor is shocked because the Administration refuses to wither up before the breath of Wendell Phillips's displeasure.

Goldsmith Maid has beaten the Cal Irwin flyer Rarus, in three straight heats—2.22 1-2, 2.16 3-4 and 2.18¾. The first two heats were won by half a length and the last by only a neck.

The Graphic's Washington special says Fernando Wood never wanted Tilden for President. He holds a written agreement signed by thirty-five Democratic Congressmen who pledged themselves during the electoral controversy to vote for Hayes in the House.

There is something almost sublime in the courage of a Rhode Island Democrat. He has to face inevitable defeat year after year, but yet he comes up smiling at the annual convention and resolves: "Our faith in Democratic institutions is unabated.

The idea of Mr Tilden's bringing a quo warranto suit against the President is ridiculed by a majority of the Democratic journals. The Nashville American says, with well pointed irony: "The time for Mr Tilden to have asserted his rights and shown the disposition to maintain them was before the Electoral Commission was established. The Democracy of the country demanded as their leader a hero and a statesman, and not a mere manager of lawsuits."

Republican journals throughout the country have freely expressed themselves on the President's southern policy If any one will take the pains to examine the Republican press of the country with reference to ascertaining the current opinion on this topic he will be struck with the general and hearty approval it expresses of the policy outlined in the President's inaugural There is not a prominent Republican paper in the country that assails or takes issue with Mr. Hayes on this subject.—Boston Journal (Rep).

Opponents of capital punishment will find a picturesque text in the narrow margin by which a probably innocent man escaped the gallows last Friday in Vermont. A mere accident led to the disclosure of important evidence tending to prove an alibi; the Governor of the State was telegraphed to barely a few moments before the hour fixed for the execution, and, happening to be at the time in the telegraph office, sent an immediate reprieve A single break in the chain of happy accidents, and the condemned man might have been beyond the reach of mercy.

The Republican victory in Chicago, last week Tuesday, was complete. Of one phase of it the Tribune of that city says "the defeat of the democratic candidate for Mayor is absolutely overwhelming. He was put forward as a representative democrat; the manager of Tilden's interests in the Northwest, and the dispenser of the large sums of money supplied from New York for the region. Mr. Smith was nominated as the strongest man in their party, the man whose election would clinch the majority given by Chicago last November for Tilden, and would permanently establish Chicago as a democratic city."

Opinions on the Speakership are as plentiful as leaves in Vallombrosa. Here are two Senator Wallace of Pennsylvania says "he does not think that there will be any diversion of Democrats sufficient to give the organization to the Republicans, but admits the probability of a Conservative Democrat being chosen" The Boston *Journal* learns from its Washington correspondent that "a leading Pennsylvanian who returned from a visit to Texas, and who has taken pains to see the members-elect of the next House of the States through which he has passed, says that there is not the slightest reason for believing that a single southern Democrat will refuse to attend the Democratic caucus for Speaker or to vote for its candidate. He thinks Mr Randall will be nominated and elected, although Mr. Cox, who is now traveling the South, has many warm friends."

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Prothonotary's Office in the Court House, Robt. C. Simpson, Agent of the Trustees.

Williamsport, Dec. 24, 1876.

New Berne (N. C.) Times.

Annual Statement of Road funds of Sergeant township, for the year 1876.

	Dr.	
Bal. on hand from last year	$ 226 66	
Received of Co. Commissioners	1365 00	
Second Duplicate	342 10	
Total		$ 2406 06
	Cr.	
By work done on Road	$ 733 85	
Supervisors' services	88 90	
Old debts paid	517 50	
Paid on Judgment against Tp.	900 50	
Town Clerk and Auditors fees	21 00	
Paid for tools	3 25	
Paid for transcript and stationary	3 00	
Treasurers percentage	61 83	
Bal in Treasury	15 90	
Total		$ 2406 06

We, the undersigned Auditors of Sergeant township, do certify by oath of office, that the above statement is correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

PETER MARTEL,
JAMES QUINLISK,
Auditors.

Attest: L. STEINHAUER, Clerk.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Whereas Letters of Administration upon the estate of Thomas N. Fee, deceased, late of Liberty township, County of McKean, State of Pennsylvania, have been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted to the said estate are hereby notified to make immediate payment, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay.

HENRY C. CRAWFORD,
Administrator.

Mar. 29, 1877.—6p

DISSOLUTION.

Notice is hereby given that the partnership between Joshua Davis & G. M. James, of Kane, Pa., under the firm of Davis & James, was dissolved on the tenth day of March 1877, by mutual consent. All debts owing to said partnership are to be received by said Joshua Davis and all demands on said partnership are to be presented to him for payment.

JOSHUA DAVIS,
G. M. JAMES.

Kane, March 12, 1877 -3t-2p

NEW MEAT MARKET.

The undersigned would inform the public that they have opened a Meat Market in the basement of the Wright House, where they will keep on hand a full supply of

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which will be sold as low as the market will allow An inspection of stock and prices is invited.

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Smethport Pa March 29th, 1877.-1y-2m

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NOTICE

U. S. INTERNAL REVENUE

SPECIAL TAXES

May 1, 1877, to April 30, 1878.

The Revised Statutes of the United States, sections 3232, 3237, 3242, and 3240, require every person engaged in any business, avocation, or occupation subject to any Special Tax, to PROCURE AND PLACE CONSPICUOUSLY IN HIS ESTABLISHMENT OR PLACE OF BUSINESS A STAMP denoting the payment of such Special Tax for the Special Tax Year beginning May 1st, 1877, before commencing or continuing business after April 30th, 1877 A return, as prescribed on Form 11, is also required by law of every person liable to special tax as above.

The taxes embraced within the provisions of the law above quoted are the following, viz:

Rectifiers	$ 100 00
Dealers, retail Liquor	25 00
Dealers, wholesale liquor	100 00
Dealers in malt liquors, wholesale	50 00
Dealers in malt liquors, retail	20 00
Dealers in leaf tobacco	50 00
Retail dealers in leaf tobacco	25 00
And on sales of over $1,000, fifty cents for every Dollar in excess of $1,000.	
Dealers in manufactured tobacco	5 00
Manufacturers of stills	50 00
And for each still manufactured	20 00
And for each worm manufactured	10 00
Manufacturers of tobacco	50 00
Manufacturers of cigars	10 00
Peddlers of tobacco, first class, more than two horses or other animals	50 00
Peddlers of tobacco, second class, two horses or other animals	25 00
Peddlers of tobacco, third class, one horse or other animal	15 00
Peddlers of tobacco, fourth class, on foot or public conveyance	10 00
Brewers of less than 500 barrels	100 00
Brewers of 500 barrels or more	200 00

ANY PERSON, SO LIABLE, WHO SHALL FAIL TO COMPLY WITH THE FOREGOING REQUIREMENTS WILL BE SUBJECT TO SEVERE PENALTIES.

Persons or Firms liable to pay any of the special taxes named above, must apply to H. Dewes, Deputy Collector of Internal Revenue at Warren, Pennsylvania, and pay for and procure the Special Tax Stamps they need, prior to May 1st, 1877, and without further notice.

Special tax stamps will be transmitted by mail only on receipt, from the persons or firm ordering the same, of specific directions so to do, together with the necessary postage stamps, or the amount required to pay the postage. The postage on one stamp is three cents, and on two stamps six cents. If it is desired that they be transmitted by registered mail, ten cents additional should accompany the application.

GREEN B. RAUM,
Com. of Internal Revenue.

Office of Internal Revenue,
Washington, D. C., Jan. 23d, 1877.

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MAIL.	OLEAN ACC.	STATIONS. SOUTH.	STATIONS. NORTH.	MAIL.	OLEAN ACC.
A.M.	P.M.			P.M.	P.M.
7 10	4 20	Dep.....Buffalo.....Ar		1 25	6 25
7 46	4 59	..... Elma		12 49	6 13
7 58	5 14	..... Aurora		12 30	5 58
8 36	5 59	..... Arcade		11 50	5 20
8 58	6 13	..... Yorkshire		11 37	5 05
9 08	6 22	..... Machias		11 25	4 55
9 27	6 45	..... Franklinville		11 05	4 35
10 05	7 25	..... Hinsdale		10 25	3 55
10 20	7 43	.....Erie R.R. Junction.....		10 10	3 40
10 34	7 49	.....Olean.....		9 55	3 30
10 43	.....	.....Weston's.....		9 45	3 20
10 51	.....	.....Portville		9 37	3 12
11 02	.....	.....State Line.....		9 25	3 00
11 18	.....	.....Eldred.....		9 10	2 45
11 30	.....	.....LARKAWEE.....		9 00	2 35
11 38	.....	.....Sartwell		8 52	2 27
11 42	.....	.....Turtle Point.....		8 48	2 23
12 03	.....	.....Port Allegany.....		8 27	2 02
12 23	.....	.....Liberty		8 07	1 42
12 32	.....	.....Keating.....		7 58	1 33
12 52	.....	.....Shippen.....		7 38	1 13
1 10	.....	Arr..Emporium.....Dep		7 20	1 00

Connections are made at Olean, daily with Erie Railway trains east and west at Larabees with Buffalo & McKean Railroad; p. & E. R. R. train, west, leaves Emporium at 9.45 p.m; and east, at 6.15 p.m., arriving at Williamsport, at 11.05 p.m.; Harrisburg, 2.45 a.m.; Philadelphia, 7.00 a.m; Baltimore, 7.45 a.m.; Washington, 9.12 a.m.; New York, 10.05 a.m.

Trains leaving Buffalo at 7.10 a.m., and 4.20 p.m., connect with stage at Elma for Marilla; stage leaves Marilla in time to connect with trains arriving in Buffalo at 8.55 a.m., and 7.55 p.m.

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WILLIAM ROBINSON,
General Supt.

Pennsylvania Railroad.

Philadelphia & Erie R. R. Division

WINTER TIME TABLE.

On and after SUNDAY, NOV. 26, 1876, the Trains on the Philadelphia & Erie Railroad Division will run as follows.

WESTWARD

NIAGARA EXPRESS leaves	Renovo	"	4.45 p. m
" "	"	Driftwood	5 58 p m
" "	"	Emporium	6.50 p. m
" "	arr at Kane	"	9.20 p. m
ERIE MAIL leaves	Philadelphia	"	11.55 p. m
" "	"	Renovo	11.00 a. m
" "	"	Emporium	12.55 p. m
" "	"	Kane	3.10 p. m
" "	arr. at Erie	"	7.35 p. m

EASTWARD.

DAY EXPRESS leaves	Kane	"	8.00 a. m
" "	"	Emporium	8.50 a. m
" "	"	Driftwood	9.56 a. m
" "	"	Renovo	10.10 a. m
ERIE MAIL leaves	Erie	"	11.50 a. m
" "	"	Kane	3.50 p. m
" "	"	Emporium	6.10 p. m
" "	"	Renovo	81.5 p. m
" "	arr. at Philadelphia	"	7.00a. m

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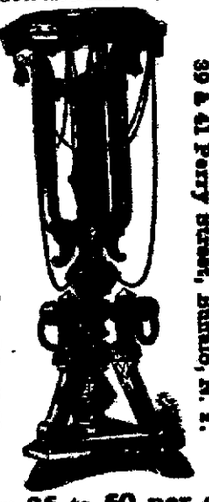

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THURSDAY, APRIL 13, 1877.

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Preaching at Norwich at 3 p. m., and at Clermont at 8 p. m., every other Sabbath. And Preaching at Barrett School House at 3 p. m. every alternate Sabbath.

BAPTIST.—O. J. ROSS, pastor. Services Sunday at 10½ a. m. and at 7½ p. m. Sunday school immediately after the morning service. Preaching once in two weeks at the Hafner school house.

EPISCOPAL.—H. O. MILLER, Rector. Services on the 1st and 3d Sunday of each month at 10½ a. m. and 7½ p. m. Sabbath School at 9 a. m.

ST. ELIZABETH CATHOLIC CHURCH.—Rev. J. P. SMITH, pastor. Mass at 11 a. m. Service at 11:30 a. m. Sunday school at 3 p. m. Services on each alternate Sunday at Smethport and Clermont.

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— Three-fourths of the population of Olean have signed the pledge.

— The Times says that Hiram Dean, of Eldred, is going to Otsea to live.

— Within a few weeks there have been eight business failures in Cuba N. Y.

— The 58th anniversary of Odd Fellowship in America occurs on the 26th of this month.

— It is understood that Peter Herdic has disposed of his interest in the Williamsport Gazette and Bulletin.

— The Buffalo Express can boast of employing the most wretched penmanship on the continent.

— "Orth" says the New York Times has the best editorial page that he knows of, and we agree with him.

— The receiver of the Erie railroad gets $ 3,000 a year—more than all the stockholders together ever got.

— Insure your property against loss or damage by fire with W H Mandeville, agent, Olean, N. Y. tf

— Several of our young men have been called home very suddenly within the past week or ten days.

— The sidewalks along all our water fronting—and their main streets—do not become them in the least.

— A Lock Haven gunsmith has received an order from Germany for one double barrel and one three barrel sporting rifle.

— Judging by the reports in the Buffalo papers, we judge that the temperance movement is not very popular among the beer classes in that city.

— Insure your life with W H Mandeville, Olean, N. Y. tf

— It is estimated that the railroads clear off a country annually by exhausting 150,000 acres of timber land. Almost equal to the exhaustive powers of marriage ties.

— Some men are broad gauge and others are very narrow gauge, and then there are circumstances which affect the gauge—especially a mortgage.

— The Potter Journal announces that after the first of May its terms will be strictly in advance—no pay, no paper. Now you see reason, neighbor.

— None but reliable insurance companies represented by W. H. Mandeville.

— The Temperance Wave struck Elmira powerful hard, and it is said that "Billy" Maxwell is one of the converts. Good for "Billy."

— The Elmira Advertiser has got it too. It begs of its "good friends, the rhymesters, to let up a little," for the reason that "the basket is full now."

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— Easter services were held in the Episcopal chapel last Sunday. The ravages of the fire that so nearly burned the Court House were not repaired in time to hold these services at the proper time.

— Now is the time for spring cleaning, and the neat housewife will be interested to know that Haskill & Gifford have a full line of wall paper and window shades of various patterns. See their new advertisement.

— Ex. Parsons is reported to have telegraphed to Sheriff King on Tuesday that one of the escaped prisoners was killed, in accordance with the "dead or alive" advertisement, and requesting him to come and claim the body. We think the story a libel on Parsons, for who would suspect him of killing a man for fifty dollars?

— Hon. Hugh Young, member of the Legislature from Tioga county, Pennsylvania, and brother of Gen. Thomas Young, of Ohio, has been appointed United States bank examiner of the National banks for the Western district of Pennsylvania, which includes all the State except Philadelphia.

— Surely the strictest moralist or Marplot can find no fault with the Social Club of Smethport. By the strictest of rules drinking or gambling is prohibited on the premises, and the presence of a member or visitor in the rooms under the influence of liquor will subject him to immediate expulsion. Can anything more be asked.

— John O'Connell, of Bradford, says the Record, is a recent game of billiards, made a run of 306 shots, which is said to be the largest run on record.

— The American Newspaper Reporter gives as the startling intelligence that "A. W. Carson, of the Buffalo (N. Y.) Courier" having entered into partnership with another gentleman, has "established Courier office to Joplin." This is news, certainly.

— Every lady would say it was a cruel boy who would carry a dog across the street by his tail, yet how many mothers are there who do not hesitate to lift their child by one arm to carry it across the gutter. And the ligaments of a dog's tail are much more firm than those of a child's arm.

— An official of the postoffice department was in Bradford Thursday, looking over the grounds so as to be able to report the advisability of putting a route agent upon the Bradford Branch. He was decidedly of the opinion that it was necessary, but is very doubtful whether the department will be able to see the point.—Bradford Era.

— A man who is capable of making so indecent and profane a remark in a public speech as our Bradford correspondent reported in our last issue to have been uttered by the Temperance orator Hurlburt, is not worthy of respect or consideration, and we do not wonder that the "church people"—or any other sensible people—are antagonistic to him.

— The rolling chairs used at the Centennial Exposition last year have been purchased by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, and placed at the principal stations and depots on the line, for the accommodation of their patrons who are invalids or cripples. An excellent idea. There is no trunk line that pays so much attention to the comfort of their patrons as the Pennsylvania Railroad.

— Our friend Dickinson, of the Olean Times, has our thanks for a neatly printed Murphy Pledge, on a postal card. We don't know but Oswego sent it to us as a delicate hint that we had better sign it, at all events we didn't "take," though we are much obliged. We had our little "Temperance Wave" all alone by ourselves two or three years ago, and have stuck to it like a little man ever since, and only hope the later converts will be as successful.

— An extensive tannery is to be built at Oswayo, Potter county, the coming season, which it is predicted will be a crushing blow to the business of Wellsville. Can any one tell why an extensive tannery cannot be built at Smethport, one of the most eligible points in the State for such an enterprise? We understand that several parties of capitalists have looked the ground over, and expressed themselves pleased with the location and desirous of securing sale and privilege. What is the obstacle in the way? Can any one tell?

— The Miner office has come down in the world, from the second to the first door. We are now nearly settled in our new quarters, with editorial and business office in the front room, the composing room in the rear, and the press room in the basement. We thought we were comfortably fixed before, but now we claim to occupy the neatest and best arranged quarters of any country newspaper in the State, and we do not want any of our friends to visit Smethport without calling upon us, whether upon business or not. We are chock full of business, but never so hurried that we cannot spare a few moments.

— A meeting of business men was held at Bloesburg last week to consider the proposition to sink an oil well at that place. A committee was appointed to lease lands on which to bore one or more wells. Mr. L. R. Decker, of Mansfield, proposed to sink a well 1,200 feet for $2,000, or 1,500 feet for $2,500 and to furnish everything necessary to carry on the work. He also proposed to sink a test well at Bloesburg and another on lands already leased by the Mansfield company, the two companies to share equally the expense and to have an equal interest in the tools, machinery, etc. It is estimated that the two wells can be put down for $5,500. It was determined to form a consolidated company under the name of the Bloesburg and Mansfield Oil Company, the capital to be $5,500 divided into shares of $25 each. Books were opened for the sale of stock, and it is reported that a large proportion of the shares have already been taken.—Wellsboro Agitator.

A Rare Treat.

The closing entertainment of the Olean Library Association for the present season will consist of a Grand Vocal Concert by the Young Apollo Club, of New York, at Haase's Opera House, Tuesday evening, April 17th. The members of this club undoubtedly comprise some of the finest singers in America, and the coming entertainment presents an opportunity for enjoying a musical treat rarely afforded in this section of the country.

The Haskill Well.

A series of misfortunes seems to attend this well. The latter part of last week the tools were lost down the hole. The drillers immediately went to Bradford for fishing tools. On Monday they pulled up the rope and discovered that the pin on the sucker-stem had broken leaving the stem and rimmer in the hole. It would be an expensive task to get them out, and the drillers were disposed to abandon the attempt. Hearing of their intention a number of the citizens of the borough raised an extra purse of $100 for them if they would complete their contract, and the men agreed to go ahead. At the writing (Wednesday afternoon) the necessary tools have not yet reached here and there are rumors of still more trouble. For twenty-four hours before drilling ceased the gas had increased very much and there is every reason to believe that a good third sand was near.—It is very provoking to be "so near, and yet so far away." Unless the work continues the presence of oil is paying quantities is that hole will ever be a disputed question.

One By One Our Friends Depart.

TWO PRISONERS ESCAPE FROM OUR $37,000 JAIL—THEY GO THROUGH A READY-MADE HOLE IN THE WALL AND FLIT BY THE "SHORT AND RED-SPREAD LINE"—AND THEY ARE NOT CAPTURED "DEAD OR ALIVE."

When deputy Sheriff Windsor arose last Saturday morning and went in to say "good morning" to the boys inside he found that two of them were not in their accustomed places. A hole in the wall communicating to the next cell, an open door, and a suspicious looking line made of sheets and bedspreads hanging from the rear garret window, sufficiently indicated that they had departed without even the courtesy of bidding him good bye. Sheriff King was at Bradford at the time, and being informed by telegraph of the sudden decrease in his family took immediate means for their capture, but up to this writing without success.

At first the method of their escape was involved in mystery, and many were disposed to severely censure the Sheriff and his deputy for neglect of duty. But a careful examination of the ground of their operations will convince any one that no neglect on the part of the Sheriff can excuse the architect and builders of the jail for constructing it in such a manner as to render their escape so simple. In the first place, by breaking one of the outside locks of an upper cell and replacing the pieces so that the fracture could not be discovered without careful scrutiny, they were enabled to manufacture a false key from a piece of strap iron, (which has since been presented to the Sheriff by the other prisoners, as a relic.) With this key, which would fit all the locks, they unlocked the cell adjoining their own, before being locked in and after all the doors had been tried by the deputy. Then with tools made from the bars of the upper cell locks and one or two bars from the iron balustrades, which could be easily hacked out, it was a small task to dig through from their cell to the open one adjoining. Then they repaired to the third tier of cells on the opposite side of the corridor and selecting the corner of one of the cells where the water-pipe and smoke flue is surrounded by brickwork from the garret to the cellar it was a simple task to remove the brick and crowd themselves up through the aperture. Then they found themselves in the garret over the corridor and had only to let themselves down from the north garret window by means of bed clothes tied together, and they were free.

After looking over their work one cannot but be surprised at the ease of their task, after all, and it is only a wonder that any prisoners are left in the jail. The others could as easily have gone if they had chosen. In fact "Sam," one of the two who have been in so long, went up through the hole first, and was kind enough to watch at the window to report when the Sheriff departed. He found it easier going up than coming down, and for a time was fearful that he would not be able to return to his cell. The prisoners yet in the jail claim that there is more than one way by which they could escape if they chose, and have been kind enough to point out one or two ways, which indeed seem perfectly feasible. We have no purpose or desire to shield the Sheriff from any merited blame, yet we believe he has been and will be unduly censured for this affair. Until we investigated the matter we could not but believe that he had been remiss in his duty. But he had for some days had suspicions that these fellows would attempt to get out, and took particular precautions that all the empty cell doors were locked. It was not for a moment suspected that the prisoners were in possession of a key to all the cell doors! Had the locks been put on properly this would hardly have been possible; or had there not been a trap-hole left in each cell, running from cellar to garret, even the possession of a false key would have been of little service to them. How or when these mistakes in the structure of the building are to be remedied we do not know. Until they are, even with the utmost vigilance, it is evident that the Sheriff may get up any morning to find one or more of his boarders missing.

The prisoners who escaped were James Sweeney and A. J. Brewer, both indicted for larceny at Bradford. The former is about 5ft. 6in. in height, weighs about 150 pounds, has light hair, a smooth, square face, and talks with a slight Irish brogue. The latter is about 5ft. 6in. in height, and weighs about 170 pounds, has light hair, chin whiskers and moustache. The Sheriff offers a reward of $100 for the capture of each.

Square Talk.

The following from a neighbor is none too strongly put to cover the whole case and deserves to be thoroughly read by all.

It would seem that the most enterprising and fearless working journalists are the most entitled to public favor, yet our observation teaches us that they are the ones who receive the least. Men who make newspapers must spend much of their lives in performing deeds of gratuity; they must come and go at the beck and call of the people; they must air the people's grievances at their own cost; write up the sorrows and joys of others as well as their own, and ever be ready to espouse the cause and fight the battles of every aggrieved mortal in the land. The hard working editor labors in season and out to please his readers, spends sleepless nights thinking of editorial matter, reads paper after paper, gathering an item here and an item there of the latest news, constantly studying to suit the tastes of a fastidious public, but in the end, we think, gets little thanks for his effort, and the smallest remuneration for his service. He studies to make his paper readable and acceptable, and if he does so, he deserves success, and should receive the encouragement of the public. When people fail to appreciate the efforts and enterprise of hard working and intelligent journalists they should be deprived of the privilege of reading; and when politicians and political parties subversive or ignore proper and judicious editorial service, they make a grievous mistake.—There is not in the whole profession a legitimate worker who does not pay five times over for every favor he receives, and there is no class of men who receive so little compensation for their services as the pains taking and laborious journalists.

From Bradford.

Special Dispatch to the Miner.

BRADFORD, PA., APRIL 11, 1877.—6 P. M.

James McWiggins, a driller on McVays' Quintuple well, fell from the derrick Tuesday morning thirty-four feet and sustained very severe injuries. Doctors Wilson and Bush report him as likely to recover.

Yesterday while the Rouster-hauls were drawing rods from number 12, E. R. E., the well made a sudden blow with so much force as to drive one of the rods through a corner of the derrick, piercing a two-inch plank, fortunately missing one of the men who was in the derrick at the time.

Bolen & Co's. Well is doing twenty-five barrels a day. No market for oil here at all to-day. Quotations—no United 2.65@.

A rig and tank was burned down near Babcock this p. m. One of Jon Tates rigs north of the Borough took fire from gas at 5 o'clock p. m., but was extinguished before much damage was done.

LATER.

April 12th, 7 a. m.—The rig and tank burned yesterday belonged to C. R. Foster, and was situated near the mouth of Foster Brook and was one of the best wells in the region.

D. D.

BRADFORD CORRESPONDENCE.

[FROM OUR REGULAR CORRESPONDENT.]

BRADFORD, PA., APRIL 9, 1877.

To the Editor of the Miner:

There has been a decided falling off in prices during the past week and it is the opinion of many old operators that the market will decline still more. Operations are less buoyant in consequence and three dollar oil is not so confidently looked for. Bradford District quotations to-day $2.10.

P. C. L. & Co's No. 31, Melvin and No. 5, Raub are in the sand with a good show. No. 15, E. R. E.'s filling up with oil and will probably be a ten barrel well.

Prentice & Co's. well on the Moody tract was torpedoed Saturday last but the results remain uncertain. Their Kane well is reported as being down 1230 feet.

Barden & Co's. well on West Branch went through the oil sand Saturday and made a small flow most of which was lost. Cannot tell yet what it will be. It was tubed and the rods will be put in to-morrow. A number of new rigs have lately been put up on Foster Brook territory near the Mason tract, but we have not learned yet who are the owners.—Leases are changing hands fast, but if the market continues to decline operations in that line will probably lag.

Veasey, Murphy & Johnson finished a well on the Clark Farm last Thursday which will be a fifteen barreler.

Some green pickets have been placed around the two trees in front of the Oil Exchange and Mr Olmsteadley is building a large two story clothing store directly west of it.

The Bank has a portico attachment in which the clerks can sit and catch the Southern breezes.

Mr George Corwin an employe in Chapin's lumber yard at the foot of Main St. had a narrow escape last Saturday by the falling of a band wheel weighing 800 pounds. Corwin fortunately saw it coming towards him, and with great presence of mind slipped out of its way just in time to prevent what would otherwise have been a fatal accident.

The Wednesday temperance meeting was opened by a few remarks from Mr. Martin Carr, of Olean, followed by Russel Martin, of the same place. Mr. Martin's address, though good and to the point was much too long and lacked enthusiasm. He was followed by Barney McCalmont of Millerstown, the *Born Summer* of the lower oil regions. He commenced by saying that he was a stranger to most of those present—which perhaps was as it should be, as an acquaintance with him for three or four years back, would have been no credit to anybody; that he had been a drunkard, a loafer, a bummer and finally a "dead beat". In a short sketch of his past life he told us how with wealth, position, a good name, a large law practice and a bright prospect before him he was one of the moderate drinkers and that the habit gained on him gradually but surely until he became a confirmed drunkard and was finally submerged into the lowest cesspools of debauchery, richly earning the epithet of "Born Bummer"—He hoped that all moderate drinkers would take warning from his experience, that the line between the moderate drinker and drunkard was soon passed when the appetite became stronger than the WILL and the resolutions to stop were as quickly broken as made. Often had he resolved to quit drinking and as often had to succumb to his overruling appetite. He said that coercion was no way to reform a drunkard, for he was sure to stand on his dignity and do worse. The outstretched hand of the Murphy movement is what did the business for him as it had done for thousands of others.

Mr. McCalmont is a very effective speaker, thoroughly understands his subject, knows just what to say, and says it and charms an audience with his pathetic eloquence. He recited a poem entitled "The Last Glass" which affected many of his listeners to tears.

Captain W. B. Chapman of Erie, made a spread-eagle speech in the cause of temperance but his remarks were more tragic in style than sentiment. He and Judge Graham were old friends, studied law together and fought side by side at the battle of Pea Ridge, Mo. Twenty-five signed the pledge before closing.

Thursday evening was devoted to another of Mr. Hurlburts' powerful and deservedly popular lectures on temperance and twenty-five more joined the ranks of the Murphy army. Judge, or rather Col Graham, is Commander-in-chief of this army in the Tuna Valley district which numbers now 2000. Fifteen hundred and fifty of these signed in Bradford. The saloon keepers are doing a slack business at present but expect to reap a harvest by and by out of backsliders.

On Friday evening a festival and ball was held in the Opera House, the proceeds from which were to liquidate debts on the Catholic Church property. One might naturally enquire how there could possibly be any debts to liquidate, after so many festivals and enthusiastic subscriptions as there has been during the past year.

Rents are extremely high here. The general rent for unfurnished single rooms on second floors is ten dollars per month, while dwelling houses rent all the way from eight to twenty-five dollars per month. Those putting up buildings for rent calculate on paying for same out of the first year's rent.

D. D.

—"I was requested to see you, sir, by your lovely daughter, our attachment"—"Young man," interrupted the parent, briskly, "I don't know what that young girl of mine is about. You are the fourth gentleman who has approached me this morning to this manner. I have already given my consent to the others, and I give it to you; God bless you."

STATEMENT.

SHOWING THE AMOUNT OF THE ASSESSED VALUATION OF SEATED PROPERTY IN McKEAN COUNTY, PENNSYLNANIA, FOR THE YEAR 1877.

TOWNSHIPS AND BOROUGHS.	Valuation of Real Estate.....	Valuation of Horses.....	Valuation of Cows and Cows	Trades and Professions.....	Valuation of Oil Well Fixtures and Pipe Lines.....	Taxes on Watches.....
Annin Tp.....	$ 84,072	$ 2,030	$ 4,150	$ 3,070	$	$ 4 80
Bradford Tp.....	159,111	6,705	5,790	7,050	34,905	9 60
Bradford Boro'..	74,196	4,975	495	25,300	8,225	33 30
Ceres Tp.....	43,044	2,480	2,347	1,050	.....	.....
Corydon Tp.....	29,822	705	1 00	450	.....	7 80
Eldred Tp.....	70,632	4,051	5,506	5,170	.....	50
Hamilton Tp.....	12,464	600	80	240	.....	.....
Hamilton Tp.....	10,624	855	845	450	.....	.....
Ham in Tp.....	101,001	6,750	6,370	2,800	.....	12 50
Keating Tp.....	21,808	1,580	1,400	5,850	1,760	6 80
Lafayette Tp.....	116,305	8,635	4,721	7,454	.....	9 00
Liberty Tp.....	24,740	2,145	1,790	980	.....	2 40
Norwich Tp.....	16,488	1,203	1,205	780	.....	.....
Otto Tp.....	13,278	1,175	740	3,170	.....	14 25
Sergeant Tp.....	60,004	1,430	490	2,275	.....	31 25
Smethport Boro'	58,905	2,380	1,850	5,200	.....	9 60
Wetmore Tp.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	$945,424	$ 45,871	$49,423	$85,910	$44,890	$184 80

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Commissioners of McKean County will sit as a "Board of Revision," at their office in the Borough of Smethport on Thursday the 19th day of April, 1877, for the purpose of revising, raising and equalizing the Assessments in conformity with law at which time and place all persons interested are invited to attend.

Given under our hands and seal of office this 20th day of March, 1877.

E. BUNKER,
O. GALLUP,
W. A. YOUNG,
Commissioners.

ATTEST: JNO. R. CHADWICK, *Clerk.* 23-3t

School Exhibition.

The School Exhibition given at Norwich School House near Ira Burdicks March 26th proved to be a very pleasant occasion. Although the evening was dark and rainy a goodly number of the parents and friends were present, and the scholars in their conduct and exercises acquitted themselves creditably. Below we give the order of exercises nearly complete:

SONG—Welcome Friends, by Frankie Goodwin, Chas. Burdick, Lamnett Burdick and Willie Burdick.
RECITATION—My husband who uses tobacco, by Ella Gallup.
SONG—Ring the merry bells, by C Gallup.
DIALOGUE—The old aunt, by Olive Windsor, Elmer Burdick, Lamnet Burdick and Merton Gallup.
RECITATION—Grandma ale'rs does, by Ralph Burdick.
DIALOGUE—The way to Windham, by Frank Burdick and Merton Gallup.
RECITATION—Johny's opinion of Grandmothers, by Lizzie Hinman.
DIALOGUE—Darby and Joan, by Frank Gallup, Olive Windsor and C. Harrington.
TABLEAU—The Romeo Elephant.
RECITATION—The Blue and Gray, by Carrie Cutler.
DIALOGUE—Rums work, by Willie Burdick, C. Harrington, Henry Gallup and Frank Burdick.
SONG—Beware of the Bottle.
TABLEAU—Signing the Pledge.
RECITATION—Old Geography, by C. White.
DIALOGUE—The two Lectures, by Burt Gallup, Willie Burdick, Elbert Burdick and Emmet Burdick.
RECITATION—I'm not too young for God to see, by Burdick Gallup.
DIALOGUE—Faith, Hope and Charity, by Nellie Goodwin, Nettie Brewer and Amy Goodwin.
RECITATION—The Face against the Pane, by Frankie Goodwin.
DIALOGUE—The Darkey Photographer by Emmet Burdick, C. Harrington and M. Windsor.
RECITATION and SONG—Gooney on a Rail, by Aaron Goodwin.

The Valedictory Address was delivered by Merton Gallup who kindly thanked the friends for their attention during the exercises, then turned to the teacher, Miss Mary McKean, and thanked her for all her care and unweariness. Miss McKean then spoke to the parents and said she hoped while they were trying to sow the seeds of knowledge in the minds of her pupils, that they would succeed in sowing the seeds of rightousness in their hearts hoping that by the blessing of God both would spring up and yield an abundant harvest.

Attend the Appeal.

Next Thursday, the 19th inst., the Commissioners will sit as a Board of Revision to listen to appeals for the reduction of assessment. It is not necessary to urge men of large property to attend this appeal, but we would urge upon men of small means to not fail to be in attendance if they would avoid paying an undue proportion of the taxes. The boro' assessors have raised the valuation of all borough property, as they consider equitably, in the following manner: Each man's property was first estimated at a fair cash valuation, then this sum was divided by four, and the quotient was considered to be about what the property would bring at a forced sale. At this sum the property was assessed—one-fourth of its actual cash value. We have heard of no complaint from men of moderate means regarding the assessment, but we understand that some large property holders are grumbling a good deal and will undertake to have their assessment reduced at the appeal. In this world we all look out for No. 1, and it is natural every one should be disposed to reduced his tax if possible, even though every dollar of tax taken from the rich man is so much more of a burden on his poorer neighbor. Where the assessment is raised in an equitable proportion it does not seem that one taxpayer has more reason to complain than another. The law certainly does not contemplate that the assessment should be lessened in the ratio of the value of the property assessed. The burden should bear equally upon all in proportion to their means. This has not been the case heretofore in the borough. We know, and all know, of more than one case where a poor man's property worth $1000 was assessed at $150 and a rich neighbor's property near by worth $10,000 was assessed at $300. Is this just and right? The assessors have tried to remedy this evil. They have tried to make the assessment just and fair to the rich and the poor alike. Their action ought to be sustained, and the small property holder should see to it that no injustice is done in the revision. Therefore let there be a general attendance at the appeal on the 19th inst.

DIED.

MOORE.—At Clermont, Pa., March 24th, 1877, NELLIE, wife of C. H. Moore, aged 16 years.

Eldred Items.

ELDRED, Pa., April, 11th 1877.

The weather during the past week has been very fine and gives a little impetus to trade in this section. The lumber mills in the neighborhood have got in large stocks of logs and have commenced running, farmers are busy in the fields plowing, and taking all in all the prospect looks more encouraging daily.

Last week was a busy one in the sugar bush and was almost profitable one to the makers of maple sugar, the sap running plentifully. Good new sugar is worth 12cts per pound.

OIL NEWS.—The drillers at the Bennie, Packard & Trumbower well, on the Loop Farm, Indian Creek, had got down over 1000 feet Monday and were in the second sand. It is expected that the drilling will be concluded this week. Considerable disappointment is felt that operations have not yet commenced on the well in the same neighborhood, located by McMullin, Halleck & Christman, but we are assured that the machinery will be on the ground this week and business commenced at once. A contract was entered into last Friday for another well to be put down inside of ninety days on the property of Lewis Loop, Indian Creek, some half mile from the Bennie well.

We are sorry to state that our respected townsman, Hiram Dean, is leaving this section, and is about to locate at Olean, N. Y. We are led to believe that his reasons for leaving us are that as agent for Jewett & Keating he will be nearer his business by removing. We wish him health and prosperity wherever he goes.

ACCIDENT.—Mr. Joseph Charles of the firm of Hall & Charles while engaged in attending a large circular saw on Tuesday last the 10th inst at their Lumber Mill in this village, met with a severe accident. The saw while rigging back, from some unexplained cause suddenly broke into four pieces, one of which struck Mr Charles on the right arm a little below the elbow lacerating the flesh and injuring the bone. Dr. Barden was quickly in attendance and dressed the wound which we are glad to say is not considered dangerous. Mr. Charles had a most miraculous escape as the piece of saw after striking his arm flew very close to his head.

VERITAS.

The Cattaraugus Indians.

Special Dispatch to the New York Tribune.

In February, 1875, Congress passed an act creating a commission to survey the Cattaraugus Indian Reservation in New York, and appropriated $5 000 to pay the necessary expenses. John Manley, of New York; Joseph Scattergood, of Philadelphia and Henry Shankland, of Kansas, were appointed the Commissioners under the act, their compensation being fixed at $8 per day and actual expenses. In July, 1876, an additional sum of $15,000 was appropriated to continue the work. Scattergood took little interest in the work, leaving its performance mostly to Manley and Shankland, who, it appears had a general good time, charging their expenses to the government, and a number of their bills were paid before the attention of the Commissioners of the General Land Office was called to them. A disagreement arose between Manley and Shankland, the latter charging that the former owed him between $300 and $400 for money advanced for expenses of the commission, while Manley charged that the reverse was the fact.—Pending this dispute, a letter was received by the department from a gentleman with whom Manley boarded during his labors on the commission, charging that Manley had induced him to sign vouchers for $7 per week, when in fact he had asked but $5, which Manley refused to pay, and asking the department for protection. An examination of the accounts showed that Manley's duties on the commission called him frequently to the Fifth-Avenue hotel in New York City, occasionally to the Centennial Exhibition at Philadelphia, and sometimes to Washington to lobby for further appropriations for the survey. For all these trips, and their attending expenses, Manley made liberal charges against the government. The Commissioner of the Land Office refused to approve the bills, and Manley's labors upon the Cattaraugus Indian Reservation are likely to be terminated.

Strayed or Stolen.

Notice is hereby given that I have taken up a stray or stolen horse on my premises. Said horse is about 12 years old, dark bay, and one small horse spavin on right hind leg. The owner is requested to call and prove property and pay costs. F. E. TULL.
Mapleton, McKean Co. Pa. April 2, 1877. 14-3t-pd.

For Sale.

A self-inking Job Printing Press 7x12 inside of chase, in good order, can be bought at a low figure for cash by application to this office.

Notice.

Parties having unsettled accounts with me will please call and close the same before the 15th of May next. H. HAMLIN. 3p

Notice.

All persons having unsettled accounts with the late firm, A. N. Taylor, are hereby notified that said accounts are now in the hands of John C. Backus, who is Attorney for the Executors of the Estate of said Taylor, who will together with each or more of the said Executors make it a point to be at the office of said Backus, in the borough of Smethport, on Wednesday and Thursday of each week, after next week, for the purpose of settling said accounts. All persons having unsettled accounts as above stated, will please be prompt in answering the notice, and thereby save themselves costs.

A. E. TAYLOR,
D. C. YOUNG, } Executors.
F. N. TAYLOR,

Smethport, Pa. Nov. 16, 1876.-tf

E. F. Kunkel's Bitter Wine of Iron

Has never been known to fail in the cure of weakness, attended with sexual pains, indigestion, to exertion, loss of memory, difficulty of breathing, general weakness, horror of disease, weak nervous trembling, dreadful horror of death, night sweats, cold feet, weakness, dimness of vision, languor, universal lassitude of the muscular system, enormous appetite with dyspeptic system, hot hands, flushing of the body, dryness of the skin, putrid emissions and eruptions on the face, purifying the blood, pain in the back, weakness of the eyelids, frequent black spots flying before the eyes with temporary suffusion and loss of sight, want of attention, etc. These symptoms all arise from a weakness, and to remedy that, use E. F. Kunkel's Bitter Wine of Iron. It never fails. Thousands are now enjoying health who have used it. Get the genuine. Sold only in $1 bottles. Take only E. F. Kunkel's.

Ask for Kunkel's Bitter Wine of Iron. This truly valuable tonic has been so thoroughly tested by all classes of the community that it is now deemed indispensable as a tonic medicine. It costs but little, purifies the blood and gives tone to the stomach, renovates the system and prolongs life. I now only ask a trial of this valuable tonic. Price $1 per bottle. E. F. Kunkel, sole proprietor, No. 529 North Ninth street, below Vine, Philadelphia, Pa. Ask for Kunkel's Bitter Wine of Iron, and take no other. A photograph of the proprietor on each wrapper, all others are counterfeit. Beware of counterfeits. Do not let your druggist sell you say but Kunkel's, which is put up only as above represented. You can get six bottles for $5. All I ask is one simple trial. TAPE WORM REMOVED ALIVE. Head and all complete in two hours. No fee till head passes. Fever, pin and stomach worms removed by Dr. Kunkel, 529 North Ninth street. Advice free. No fee unless I head and all passes in one, and alive. Dr. Kunkel is the only successful physician in this country for the removal of worms, and his worm syrup is pleasant and safe for children or grown persons. Send for a circular, or ask for a bottle of Kunkel's Worm Syrup. Price one dollar bottle. Get it of your druggist. It never fails.

NOTICE is hereby given that application will be made at the May term of the Court of Common Pleas of McKean County for a Charter of Incorporation for the Aldrich Country Association. 14-3t-5p

Read what experience proves about Hatch's Universal Cough Syrup: "Hatch's Universal Cough Syrup has been put to a six years test in our family, with the following results: It gives the best of satisfaction to all our customers, and they testify to that satisfaction by buying far more of it than of any other cough remedy, although we keep in stock a large number of that class of medicines, in fact all that have been heretofore considered most salable. SLAUGHTER & WAY.
Waverly, N. Y.

I have used Davis' Home Relief for pain in my lower stable for the last five years, and I think there is no better remedy for sprains, galls, corks, colic, or inflammation of the bowels. At one time I sprained my ankle badly and after suffering terrible agony and I got all along, I used one fourth bottle and received perfect immediate relief.
JACOB LIBOUS, Sugar grove, Pa.

Sold by A. R. Armstrong, and all druggists.

MCKEAN & BUFFALO RAILROAD.

Time table went into effect Monday, March 12th, 1877, at 11.57 o'clock a. m.

SOUTHWARD.

STATIONS.	MAIL.	LOCAL.
Larabee..... Leave	11.57 a. m.	4.50 p. m.
Fristoe.....	11.43 "	4.37 "
Farmers Valley.....	11 36 "	4.30 "
Smethport.....	11.18 "	4.05 "
Crosby.....	12.20 †	5.15 †
Colegrove.....	12.36 "	5.17 "
Hazlett.....	12.40 "	5.22 †
Wetmore.....	"	"
Clermont..... Arrive	1.15 "	5.50 "

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SATURDAY, APRIL 14TH, 1877,

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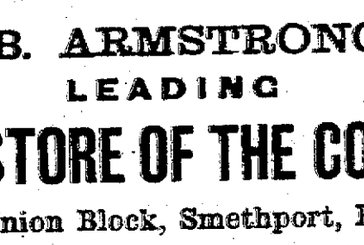

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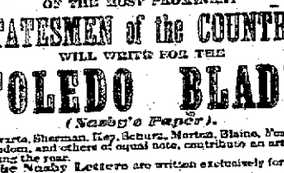

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